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SUBJECT: CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) ADVISORY

COMMITTEE MEETING - PUBLIC HEARING ON MARCH 8, 2004

TO: CMAQ Advisory Committee Members

As discussed at the advisory committee meeting on February 11,2004, the Public Hearing for the 2004 round of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality applications is scheduled for March 8, 2004 at the **NH Department Of Transportation, John O. Morton Building – Room 200 in Concord.** The meeting is scheduled to begin at 2:00 pm.

We have requested the Regional Planning Commissions (RPCs) to inform applicants about the CMAQ Public Hearing.

Attached you will find a package consisting of the following material:

- ❖ Agenda for the March 8, 2004 Public Hearing
- ❖ February 11, 2004 Advisory Committee Meeting notes
- ❖ Public Notice for the CMAQ Public Hearing
- * CMAQ Advisory Committee membership list
- ❖ Letters of support for Windham CMAQ application (04-22CM)

Should you have questions, or need clarification, please contact me at 271-3734.

cc: Michael Pillsbury, NHDOT

CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION JOHN O. MORTON BUILDING – ROOM 200 7 HAZEN DRIVE CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03302

March 8, 2004 2:00 PM

MEETING AGENDA

- Call to Order
- 2:00 PM Start of Public Hearing
- 2:00-2:05 Approval of February 11, 2004 Meeting Minutes
- 2:05-2:15 Other Business
- 2:15–3:05 PM Upper Valley Planning Commission Region
- 3:15–3:45 PM Statewide Applications
- 3:55–4:15 PM Southern NH Planning Commission Region
- 4:25–4:55 PM Central NH Planning Commission Region
- 5:10–6:10 PM Nashua Planning Commission Region
- 6:10-7:30 DINNER BREAK
- 7:30–7:50 PM Rockingham Planning Commission Region
- 8:00–9:20 PM Strafford Planning Commission Region
- 9:20 PM Public Hearing Adjourned

PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED ON PROJECT APPLICATIONS FOR TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT (TE) AND CONGESTION MITIGATION (CMAQ) FUNDING

Two transportation advisory committees will hold public hearings in Concord to review applications the committees has received for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Transportation Enhancement (TE) programs and projects. Applications for these funds have been made by citizens, groups, municipalities, and state agencies.

Transportation Enhancement projects can include: facilities for bicyclists and pedestrians, safety and educational activities for bicyclists and pedestrians, acquisition of scenic easements and scenic or historic sites, scenic or historic highway programs (including the provision of tourist and welcome center facilities), landscaping and other scenic beautification, historic preservation, rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures or facilities (including historic railroad facilities and canals), preservation of abandoned railroad corridors (including the conversion and use thereof for pedestrian or bicycle trails), control and removal of outdoor advertising, archaeological planning and research, environmental mitigation to address and reduce water pollution due to highway runoff or reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality while maintaining habitat connectivity, and the establishment of transportation museums.

The Transportation Enhancement public hearing will be held Tuesday, March 2, 2004 at the NH Department of Transportation, John O. Morton Building, Room 200, 7 Hazen Drive in Concord from 1:30 - 9:00 PM. Following the hearing, the New Hampshire Transportation Enhancement Advisory Committee will meet on March 17, 2004 to make its final program and project selections.

CMAQ projects can include Transit: Construction, equipment or operating expenses for new and improved services for a maximum of three years, and parking for transit services, etc. Other Shared-Ride: Vanpool and carpool programs, and parking for shared-ride services, etc. Highway/Road: Traffic management and control services, signalization projects, intersection improvements, and construction or dedication of HOV lanes, etc. Demand Management: Employer trip reduction programs, transportation management plans, flexible work schedule programs, vehicle restriction programs, etc. Pedestrian/Bicycle: Sidewalks, trails, storage facilities, promotional activities, etc. Inspection/Maintenance Programs (I/M) and Traffic Control Measures (TCMs) (not covered by the above categories). Extreme low-temperature cold start programs. Magnetic Levitation Transportation Technology Deployment program projects. Education and outreach to increase public knowledge of transportation related emissions and opportunities to reduce them.

The Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality public hearing will be held Monday, March 8, 2004 at the NH Department of Transportation, John O. Morton Building, Room 200, 7 Hazen Drive in Concord from 2:00 - 9:30 PM. Following the hearing, the New Hampshire CMAQ Advisory Committee will meet on Monday, March 22, 2004 to make its final program and project selections.

Any individuals needing assistance or auxiliary communication equipment due to sensory impairment or other disability, should contact Bill Janelle, NHDOT, P.O. Box 483, Concord, N.H. 03302-0483 - TDD access: Relay N.H. 1-800-735-2964. Notification of the need for assistance must be made no later than 5 days before each meeting.

The projects developed through this process will be administered according to the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes to ensure non-discrimination.

Executive Councilor Raymond Burton Chairman, CMAQ and TE Advisory Committees Dated at Concord, NH this 23rd day of February 2004